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Via ECFS
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Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I am very much opposed to this petition. The availability of competitive pricing regarding phone and internet is critical to me. As a retiree on a fixed income I have been able to significantly reduce my monthly expenses in this area. Given that all medical, dental, as well as government services (social security and medicare) expect that folks have access to internet services in order to conduct business and delivery medical testing results and appointment information, losing this critical service to higher costs would be a hardship for me at a time in my life when such hardships are not so easily borne.

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